

Questions for Answers on the day
(but Not taken up)

Recovery of Outstanding sales Tax Amount from M/s. Bhoruka Steel Ltd. Bangalore.

555 SRI JEEVARAJ ALVA, (Jayamahal)— Will the Minister for Finance be pleased to state:—

(a) whether huge amount to the extent of Rs. 1 crore in respect of sales tax is outstanding from a leading Industrial Firm *viz* M/s. Bhoruka Steel Ltd, Bangalore for a long time

(b) whether it is a fact that the Government initiated action for realisation of this amount

(c) if the reply to (a) and (b) is affirmative, what action does the Government propose to take in order to realise this huge outstanding amount which can be utilised for the benefit of the poor?

SRI S.M. YAHYA—(Minister for Finance).—

(a) There are no assessed amounts due for payment by Bhoruka Steel Ltd, Bangalore. However certain investigations have been taken by Commercial Tax Department. Assessments for the years 1973-74 and 1974-75 making use of investigations are pending.

(b) There are no assessed amounts due for payment by Bhoruka Steel Ltd. and hence the question of action for realisation of any outstanding amount does not arise.

(c) At present there are no arrears outstanding from Bhoruka Steel Ltd. as per returns of turnover filed upto the year 1977-1978. Action is being taken by Commercial Tax Department to expedite finalisation of pending investigations.

Thungabhadra Left Bank Canal

42 SRI R. NARAYANAPPA (Sindhanoor)—Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state

(a) the amount sanctioned by the Government for repairing the Left Bank Canal of Thungabhadra, out of this the amount spent so far and the details thereof;

(b) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the canal was breached two to three times during current year due to ineffective repairs, misdeed and malpractices of the Executive and Assistant Engineers of Sindhanoor Irrigation Division in respect of repair works of the left Bank Canal;